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REPORT.

Whole amount of taxes committed to the Collector for 1866, was	\$10,903 66
The Collector has discharged himself as follows :	
Paid Town Treasurer, cash and abatements,	9,000 00
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Amount due from Collector for 1866,	\$1,903 66
Whole amount of money, abatements, &c., received by the Treasurer, from March 1, 1866, to March 1, 1867,	\$44,299 89
Amount of payments by the Treasurer for the same time as above,	\$43,240 81
Balance remaining in the Treasurer's hands,	\$1,059 08

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Receipts.

Mar.	23.	Received of Treasurer for 1865,	\$541 25
April	28.	Ira Sweat on his collection of taxes for 1865,	200 00
May	14.	on note to S. M. Emery,	300 00
	22.	on note to Wm. H. Hosmer,	200 00
	29.	on note to Fanny Eaton,	1,000 00
	30.	on note to N. Butler, exec'r,	1,000 00
June	6.	on note to Susan P. Sawyer,	500 00
	14.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	700 00
	15.	of Ira Sweat, on his collection of taxes for 1865,	276 34
	19.	of Ira Sweat, on his collection of taxes for 1865,	137 00
	29.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	1,300 00
July	3.	of committee authorized by vote of town to issue bonds,	21,550 00

July	7.	of committee authorized by vote of town to issue bonds,	5,650 00
	28.	of committee authorized by vote of town to issue bonds,	700 00
	28.	interest on bonds,	2 90
Sept.	1.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	1,380 00
Oct.	15.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	420 00
	30.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	400 00
Nov.	3.	of State Treasurer, Railroad tax for 1866,	1,061 07
	3.	of State Treasurer, Savings Bank tax,	101 16
	3.	of State Treasurer, Literary Fund,	53 25
	3.	of State Treasurer, State aid,	335 84
	3.	of State Treasurer, United States bounties,	1,000 00
	12.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	1,000 00
	21.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	200 00
	24.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	300 00
Nov.	26.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	300 00
	27.	of M. H. Bean, for stone,	5 00
Dec.	3.	of committee authorized by vote of town to issue bonds,	100 00
	3.	interest on bonds,	2 50
	10.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	200 00
1867.			
Jan.	1.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	200 00
	7.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	600 00
	15.	of John Chadwick, on his col- lection of taxes for 1866,	100 00

Jan.	16.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	100 00
Feb.	4.	of Ira Sweat, on his collection of taxes for 1864,	32 01
	4.	of Ira Sweat, on his collection of taxes for 1865,	413 64
	5.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	300 00
	9.	of County Treasurer, for support of county paupers,	116 44
	15.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	500 00
	18.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	200 00
	20.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	100 00
	23.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	100 00
Feb.	28.	of Ira Sweat, on his collection of taxes for 1864,	6 82
	28.	of Ira Sweat, on his collection of taxes for 1865,	14 67
	28.	of John Chadwick, on his collection of taxes for 1866,	600 00
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			\$44,299 89

EXPENDITURES.

1866. *Miscellaneous Bills.*

June	16.	Paid McFarland & Jenks, for reports and blanks,	\$56 75
Aug.	24.	town of Webster, tax,	2 00
Sept.	19.	N. Butler, for cash paid auditors of town accounts,	4 00
	19.	A. G. Howe, for painting engine house, &c.,	54 86
	19.	C. & J. C. Gage, lumber for engine house,	31 10
Oct.	3.	McFarland & Jenks, for printing town bonds,	65 00

Oct.	6.	Hiram Simpson, for water trough,	3 00
	10.	Healey Morse, for repairs on engine house,	167 82
	10.	J. W. Whittier, for repairing hose,	2 35
Nov.	24.	S. A. Ambrose, selectmen's expenses,	3 50
Dec.	3.	M. A. Wood, for copying, &c.,	10 00
	14.	C. M. Chadwick, school books for poor,	3 10
	20.	C. M. Chadwick, for postage,	25
	21.	L. T. Boyce, damage to sheep,	10 00
1867.			
Jan.	1.	John S. Quimby, for digging graves,	13 50
	24.	Hardison Foss, for digging graves,	1 50
Feb.	1.	Edson C. Eastman, for books and stationery,	7 80
	2.	Gage, Porter & Co., for lime, &c., for engine house,	13 91
	8.	Samuel Choate, committee to issue bonds,	6 00
	12.	Bradley Atkinson, damage to horse,	70 00
	15.	Daniel Flint, for digging grave,	2 00
	16.	A. G. Kimball, for damage to wagon,	6 00
	18.	N. Butler, for professional services, and as committee to issue town bonds,	41 95
	18.	S. E. Monmouth, damage to wagon,	3 00
	18.	Isaac K. Gage, committee to issue town bonds,	8 00
	19.	George Knowles, for repairs on town hall,	1 00
	23.	S. P. Danforth, for packing for engine, &c.,	2 85
	25.	Hannibal Bonney, for Selectmen's expenses,	5 50
	25.	J. H. Gill, for wood for hall, &c.,	2 50
	26.	Geo. A. Morse, for pay of engine company,	67 00
	28.	E. G. Wood, for cash paid for stamps, stationery, &c.,	4 47
	28.	John Chadwick, for notifying town officers, blanks and postage,	7 00

 \$677 71

1866.

Roads and Bridges.

Mar. 23.	Paid George S. Morrill, for running out road on petition of Swazey and others,	2 00
April 14.	John D. Parker, for work on gulf road,	6 00
June 19.	Geo. W. Brown, for plank,	13 87
July 19.	J. C. Chadwick, for plank,	12 89
Aug. 28.	A. A. Hancock, for work on gulf bridge,	2 25
Sept. 13.	Samuel Marden, for work on Mutton road bridge,	1 50
Oct. 6.	Geo. S. Morrill, for running out road on petition of Morrison and others,	1 00
20.	Henry C. Perrin, for land damage,	65 00
31.	James G. Burpee, for work on gulf bridge railing,	6 25
Nov. 27.	Healey Morse, for making new road, continuation of Chandler street,	47 56
Dec. 17.	C. & J. C. Gage, for plank,	287 44

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Feb. 2.	Gage, Porter & Co., for spikes,	40
19.	George Knowles, for work on gulf road,	17 97
20.	D. Saunders, jr., for posts for railings,	6 67
22.	C. Smith, for powder and fuse,	1 90
22.	Harvey Carter, for work on gulf road,	3 00
22.	John D. Parker, for work on gulf road,	7 12
22.	Hervey Atkinson, for timber for gulf bridge railing, and use of drills,	10 75
22.	Wm. Brown, for lumber,	5 00
22.	P. M. Chadwick, for breaking roads,	5 00
22.	Matthew Bryant, for plank,	4 00
22.	James H. Gill, for work on	

gulf bridge railing,	15 13
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	\$522 70

1866. *Non-resident Highway Taxes Worked Out.*

June 15.	Paid Ira Sweat, non-resident tax worked out as follows :	
	Joseph Barnard,	9 34
1867.		
Feb. 28.	John Chadwick, non-resident tax worked out as follows :	
	Nehemiah Clark,	1 50
	Sarah P. Moore,	1 66
	B. F. Caldwell	1 25
	Hiram Simpson,	1 50
	Abiel R. Chandler,	2 50
	Nicholas M. Noyes,	75
	Thomas Eastman,	1 38
	Nathaniel White,	1 50
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		\$21 38

1866. *Payment on Notes.*

April 2.	Paid Isaac K. Gage, amount of note,	\$133 70
May 7.	David Elliott, amount on note,	200 00
14.	John C. Linehan, amount of note,	136 21
29.	Healey Morse,	222 74
29.	Samuel A. Ambrose,	227 53
June 1.	A. G. Howe,	582 94
6.	David Abbott,	197 61
15.	Ira Sweat,	117 00
16.	N. S. Batchelder,	294 74
19.	Ira Sweat,	136 49
July 2.	Paul Barber,	116 12
2.	Samuel Choate,	491 72
3.	Royal Choate,	850 36
3.	Ephraim Plummer,	2,931 74
3.	Stephen M. Emery,	519 38
3.	Nancy M. Foster,	282 12
3.	Healey Morse,	519 18
3.	John Sanborn,	349 72

July	3.	Enoch Gerrish,	1,055 83
	3.	Peter Coffin,	1,116 05
	3.	Jeremiah Noyes,	539 67
	3.	Mary G. Cogswell,	1,104 54
	3.	Fanny Eaton,	1,005 50
	3.	Susan P. Sawyer,	502 25
	3.	Joseph Smith,	2,114 20
	3.	J. Newton Sawyer,	1,055 50
	3.	George W. Atkinson,	683 84
	4.	Leavitt C. Whitney,	256 79
	4.	N. Butler,	1,005 33
	4.	Cynthia Prichard,	223 18
	4.	Betsey P. Johnson,	243 15
	4.	Ann G. Sullivan,	704 05
	7.	W. H. Hosmer,	491 65
	7.	Hannah Choate,	140 96
	7.	John Kimball,	515 08
	7.	John A. McClure,	447 21
	7.	Hale Atkinson,	616 80
	7.	Sarah Pillsbury,	895 35
	7.	E. K. Stone,	352 86
	9.	J. D. Sleeper,	1,062 00
	9.	Asa McFarland,	316 40
	9.	Elisha E. Hoyt,	1,289 40
	9.	H. F. Coffin,	1,097 49
	10.	John McClure,	524 91
	19.	J. M. Hayes,	433 17
	19.	David Elliott,	162 53
	19.	Jacob C. Flanders,	405 56
	19.	Benj. Walker,	143 97
	19.	Betsey Baker,	213 81
	19.	Francis S. French,	348 46
Aug.	2.	M. F. Fosgate,	107 90
	2.	J. V. Smith,	120 58
	8.	Achsah C. Elliott,	158 21
	8.	Ebenezer Moody,	103 95
	9.	Francis S. French,	129 97
	24.	Lydia D. Greene,	114 50
	24.	Adaline Gerald,	112 59
	24.	Enoch Gerald,	218 60
	24.	John Sanborn, jr.,	174 07
	27.	Sally Elliott,	547 41
	29.	John Clement,	134 68

Aug. 30.	Isaac K. Gage,	117 27
30.	Val. Manahan,	155 70
Nov. 16.	Alfred Bullock,	403 34
24.	John F. Colby,	709 43
1867.		
Jan. 13.	M. A. S. Batchelder	107 27
15.	P. B. Pearson,	89 50
28.	J. B. Holt,	115 79
Feb. 15.	Tamison Flint,	156 85
15.	Jeremiah Fox,	651 26
16.	Samuel Ellsworth,	141 50
18.	George P. Meserve,	224 04
23.	C. J. Chadwick,	72 36
23.	Healey Morse,	57 12
25.	A. J. Taylor,	240 60

\$34,540 78

1866. *Schools.*

June 29.	Paid L. T. Silver, prud. com. Dis. No. 6,	\$30 00
30.	Hardison Foss,	2, 30 00
July 4.	C. A. Lang,	1, 50 00
7.	J. A. McClure,	4, 42 00
10.	J. B. Holt,	7, 75 00
25.	E. L. Morrill,	3, 70 00
Aug. 29.	Joseph G. Eastman,	5, 60 00
Oct. 6.	J. B. Holt,	7, 200 00
17.	C. A. Lang,	1, 35 00
Dec. 6.	J. G. Eastman,	5, 50 00

1867.		
Jan. 2.	C. A. Lang,	1, 121 00
4.	N. Watson,	8, 48 00
11.	J. A. McClure,	4, 75 00
21.	E. L. Morrill,	3, 100 00
24.	Hardison Foss,	2, 52 00
25.	J. B. Holt,	7, 244 00
Feb. 8.	L. T. Silver,	6, 68 00

\$1,350 00

1866. *Support of Paupers.*

Mar. 26.	Paid J. W. Roby, for support of Naomi Roby,	\$13 00
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Apr. 14.	S. C. Evans, salary as Overseer of Poor Farm, up to April 1, 1866,	300 00
16.	E. K. Webster, for medical services in 1864,	15 00
May 7.	C. Smith, for aid to family of John Laprie,	8 01
7.	C. Smith, for aid to family of Mrs. Nancy Marsh,	10 00
June 19.	Town of Gilmanton, for aid to family of Freeman Elliott,	40 10
July 19.	M. J. Webber, for the purpose of stock on town farm,	25 00
25.	Luther E. Page, for support of family of Freeman Elliott,	10 00
Sept. 3.	C. & J. C. Gage, for support of family of Mrs. Haley,	3 00
20.	J. W. Roby, for support of Naomi Roby,	25 00
Nov. 23.	J. W. Roby, for support of Naomi Roby,	8 00
27.	S. M. Emery, for medical attendance on family of Peter Reel,	17 75
Dec. 3.	John A. Coburn, for coffins,	8 00
15.	David Fellows, for aid to transient persons,	2 00
17.	L. Gage, for aid to family of Peter Reel,	12 00
1867.		
Feb. 2.	J. W. Roby, for aid to family of Mrs. J. P. Story,	3 00
2.	J. H. Flanders, for support of family of John Booth,	3 75
2.	C. & J. C. Gage, for support of family of Mrs. Haley,	3 00
2.	C. & J. C. Gage, for support of family of John Booth,	3 00
2.	J. P. Hubbard, for support of family of John Booth,	13 33
2.	J. P. Hubbard, for support of Sarah Labounta,	4 20
4.	E. K. Webster, for medical attendance on Timothy Rainville,	2 00

Feb.	4.	Hannibal Bonney, for aid to tran-	
		sient persons,	5 50
	4.	David Ambrose, for support of fam-	
		ily of Mrs. J. P. Story,	3 50
	4.	S. M. Emery, medical attendance	
		on Sarah Labounta,	20 00
	4.	J. H. Gill, for services in case of	
		Timothy Rainville,	2 00
23.		M. J. Webber, to pay for use of	
		pasture,	35 00
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			\$595 14

Abatement of Taxes.

1867.			
Feb.	4.	Paid Ira Sweat, on list of taxes for 1865,	\$132 18
	4.	do do do 1864,	32 01
	8.	A. C. Elliott, over-tax in 1866,	4 00
	28.	Ira Sweat, on list of taxes for 1865,	6 90
	28.	Ira Sweat, on list of taxes for 1864,	3 41
	28.	John Chadwick, on list of taxes	
		for 1866, .	109 40
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			\$287 90

1866. *Small Pox.*

Apr.	16.	Paid E. K. Webster, for attendance	
		on Mr. Foss, in small-pox	
		case, in 1864, with interest	
		and costs,	\$145 00

Town Officers.

1866.			
Sept.	19.	Paid N. Butler, Selectman for 1865,	7 00
Dec.	20.	C. M. Chadwick, Town Clerk,	
		1865,	4 00
1867.			
Feb.	8.	Paid Samuel Choate, Selectman for	
		1865,	6 00
	19.	George Knowles, Selectman for	
		1865,	6 00
	22.	C. Smith, Town Clerk, for 1866,	15 81

22.	Wm. R. Jewett, Superintending School Committee for Dis- trict No. 7,	9 00
25.	F. C. Morrill, Superintending School Committee,	35 00
25.	James H. Gill, Selectman, Over- seer of the Poor,	38 00
26.	Healey Morse, Selectman, Over- seer of the Poor,	34 00
28.	E. G. Wood, Selectman, Over- seer of the Poor, and Town Treasurer,	109 00
28.	John Chadwick, Collector for 1866,	75 00
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		\$338 81

1866. *State and County Taxes.*

Oct.	18.	Paid County Tax,	\$1378 89
Nov.	3.	State Tax,	3382 50
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			\$4761 39

RECAPITULATION.

Paid	Miscellaneous Bills,	\$677 71
	Roads and Bridges,	522 70
	Non-resident Highway Taxes worked out,	21 38
	Payments on Notes,	34,540 78
	Schools,	1350 00
	Support of Paupers,	595 14
	Abatement of Taxes,	287 90
	Small-Pox,	145 00
	Town Officers,	338 81
	State and County Taxes,	4761 39
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		\$43,240 81
Debt of the Town, March 1, 1867, in Bonds,		28,000 00
Interest on the above, to March 1, 1867, payable in coin,		1120 00
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Total indebtedness of the town,		\$29,120 00

Due to the Town from Ira Sweat, Collector for 1865,	\$22 87	
Due from John Chadwick, Collector for 1866,	1903 66	
Due from John Morrison,	50 00	
Balance in the hands of the Treas- urer,	1059 08	
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		3035 61
Balance against the town,		<hr/>
		\$26,084 39

E. G. WOOD, } *Selectmen*
 HEALEY MORSE, } *of*
 JAMES H. GILL, } *Boscawen.*

The undersigned, appointed to audit the accounts of the Selectmen of Boscawen, for the year 1866-7, report that they have examined said accounts, and find the receipts from March 1, 1866, to March 1, 1867, to have been \$44,299.89, and the disbursements to have been \$43,240.81, the accounts of which are properly vouched and correctly cast, leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer, of \$1059.08.

N. BUTLER, } *Auditors.*
 IRA SWEAT, }

Inventory of Property at Alms House, March 1, 1867.

STOCK.		GRAIN.	
2 Oxen,	\$275 00	75 Bushels Corn,	\$97 50
5 Cows,	250 00	15 Bushels Oats,	10 00
3 Two Year Olds,	75 00	3 do Beans,	6 00
1 Horse,	150 00		
Hay,	275 00		
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	\$1025 00		\$113 50

PROVISIONS.			
80 Bushels Potatoes,	\$32 00	60 do Butter,	21 00
1 Barrel Apples,	5 00	276 do Cheese,	55 00
250 Pounds Beef,	30 00	60 do Dried Apples,	9 00
360 do Pork,	60 00	5 Barrels Cider,	30 00
150 do Bacon,	25 00	50 Pounds Flour,	4 00
30 do Tallow,	3 50		
35 do Lard,	6 00		
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Farming Tools,			\$73 00
Household Furniture,			128 00
Miscellaneous Articles,			80 00

1866.	<i>Pauper Establishment.</i>	Dr.
Mar. 1.	To Real Estate,	\$2000 00
	Personal Property,	1582 90
	Interest on Property,	214 97
	Agent's Salary to April 1, 1867,	300 00
	Cash in hands of Overseer,	129 33
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		\$4227 20
1867.		Cr.
Mar. 1.	By Real Estate,	\$2000 00
	Personal Property,	1680 00
	312 weeks board,	312 00
	Paid for use of pasture,	35 00
	Paid for stock,	25 00
	Cash on hand,	147 35
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		4199 35
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	Balance against the Farm,	\$27 85
	E. G. WOOD,	} <i>Overseers</i>
	HEALEY MORSE,	
	JAMES H. GILL,	
		} <i>of the</i>
		} <i>Poor.</i>

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

CITIZENS OF BOSCAWEN: The Annual Report of your Superintending School Committee is hereby respectfully submitted.

You have had, during the past year, 184 weeks of school, divided into 18 terms, with an average of about 10 weeks to each. The average number of weeks to each district is $25\frac{1}{2}$. In No. 7 there was a Fall term in each of the departments in addition to the Summer and Winter terms which appear in Table No. 2. District No. 8 has had one long term, commencing early in the fall, instead of the usual short Summer and Winter terms.

Of the 13 teachers employed, 5 only were residents of Boscawen. With the exception of Miss Curtice in District No. 8, all had previously taught. Several of them were teachers of much experience.

So far as your Committee has been able to judge, the teachers employed entered upon their duties with a determination to discharge them faithfully. In some instances circumstances beyond their control have prevented the degree of success it had been their purpose to attain.

There has not been at all times that hearty co-operation of parents with the teacher, which is essential to a successful school.

The teacher is not perfect. Like others, he is liable to say and to do things not altogether wise or prudent. But it is seldom fair to presume these errors intentional. Those who have never taught a district school can little understand the demands made upon the patience of the teacher, or the many perplexing questions daily arising in the school-room, the decision of which is sure to bring upon him the displeasure of some member of the school or of the district. It is the part of charity, when it is apprehended that the teacher is acting unwisely in any particular, to seek an explanation from himself personally. Until this is done, it cannot be quite right to communicate these apprehensions to others with a view to bring him into discredit, and it is especially wrong to allow a child to suspect his parent's want of confidence in the teacher, as such knowledge is sure to induce insubordination in school.

We cannot suppose that the citizens of a district would purposely wrong the instructor of their children, nor are these remarks designed to imply a censure upon the motives of any, but rather to point out one way in which much unintentional injustice may be done to a teacher, and in which the efficiency of the school is greatly impaired.

One of the most important things in a school, and at the same time the most difficult to secure, is good order.

Your Committee has felt that if our teachers, or any of them, were liable to criticism, it would be upon this point. It has been apparent in several schools that the discipline was not quite what their interests required.

The disposition of teachers to secure order with as little severity as possible, is certainly commendable. But pleasant manners will not always remove the tendency to whispering, idleness and play. Some may feel ambitious to return their registers with the blank allotted to "cases of corporal punishment" unfilled. Children are very keen to detect this disposition in the teacher, and when it is understood that a verbal reproof is the only form of correction to be feared, they are sure to take liberties which otherwise would not be attempted.

It is claimed, kind treatment and gentle means will, in the end, subdue the vicious child. But this, even if true, must be a work of time. Evil tendencies, natural and acquired, strengthened by years of indulgence, are not to be removed in a single day, or a single week. The moral influences, which are to do the work, are slow. The confidence and love of the pupil are to be secured. His higher nature must be appealed to. The evil effects of disorder in school are to be carefully and repeatedly explained to him. He must be won to obedience by a long course of moral and intellectual training. The difficulties of this process with a pupil whose mental powers are as yet, perhaps, unequal to the solution of a problem in simple addition, are apparent at a glance. While all this is being done, the school is annoyed by his misconduct, and the teacher, being occupied with the experiment of "moral suasion," is obliged partially to neglect the orderly and studious portion of his pupils. This cannot be right. The teacher should insist upon prompt obedience. It is due to himself, and the interests of the school demand it. Mild measures should be exhausted first, these failing, other remedies should be applied.

The closing examinations of the different schools have been creditable alike to teacher and scholars. The questioning of classes on most of these occasions was extremely rigid and careful, leaving no room to doubt the faithfulness of the teachers or the application of the pupils.

Several of the examinations were well attended by the people of the District.

This is an excellent thing. The expectation through the term that a large number of visitors will be present at the final examination, will stimulate teacher and scholars to greater exertion. The lessons will be more carefully studied, and the whole work more thoroughly done. All the statistical information of interest, pertaining to the schools of the town, will be found in the tables forming a part of this report.

F. C. MORRILL, S. S. Committee

Boscawen, Feb. 28, 1867.

The S. S. Committee of Dist. No. 7 ask leave to submit the following report:

The District has had three terms of school in each room. The Primary School has been taught through all the terms by Miss Rebecca K. Rowell who has had the charge of this school for several years. She maintained the reputation which she has gained in former years. In employing Miss Rowell for so many terms, the District has acted on the principle that when a good teacher is secured, it is wise policy to retain her services. Miss Rowell has shown by her success that the art of managing children is not confined to the masculine gender. The school in the upper room was taught during the Summer and Fall terms by Miss Sarah T. Hook, a young lady well qualified, ambitious to succeed, and ready to bestow any pains, if her pupils could make progress,—a little too sensitive perhaps, not bearing in mind that people do not always infuse sufficient charity into their observations upon school teachers as well as upon others.

The examination of the Fall school was very spirited and thorough. There was no servile dependence on text-books, but a habit of self-reliance had been cultivated by both teacher and pupils. The examination in Arithmetic gave your committee unalloyed gratification. The attendance was very limited. A large portion of the youth of suitable age to attend school was not there. The percentage of absence was very great. Why it was so the committee does not know. It was a matter of regret to him, as he is confident it was of loss to the youth in the District.

The Winter school in the upper room was taught by Mr. L. M. Kilburn, who has had much experience in the business of instruction. The school was well managed, but at one time there was a degree of insubordination, which seriously threatened its prosperity. But this was checked. If there is a place on earth next to an army, where order should be maintained, it is in a school. And law and usage place the government of the school in the hands of the teacher, not in those of the scholar. This fact is sometimes lost sight of. The teacher, in order to insure full success, needs the co-operation of the parents and the community.

In consequence of the opening of the Pennacook Academy, the school towards its close, was very small. Only fourteen were present at the final examination.

Owing to the same cause, it is probable that the attendance on the Summer school will not be more than one-half what it has been in former years. Nearly all the larger scholars, who will attend school, will attend at the Academy. It is a question whether it will be necessary or profitable to have more than one school. That question the committee cheerfully submit to the discretion of the district.

WM. R. JEWETT, S. S. Committee.

Fisherville, Feb. 22, 1867.

TABLE No. 1.

District.	Names of Teachers.	Residence of Teachers.	Months of previous teaching.	Weeks of term.	Months taught in this district.	Institutes attended by teachers.	Wages per month, including board.	Whole number of pupils.	Number of boys.	Number of girls.	Average attendance.	Tardiness.	Number not tardy.	Dismissals.	Cases of corporal punishment.	Number plus in moral department.	No. plus in habits of study.	No. plus in scholarship.	Number of visits by citizens and others.	Number between 4 and 14 not attending school.	
SUMMER.	1 M. LOUISE GILLET.	Thetford, Vt.	48	20	4	3	\$26.00	42	21	21	27	64	354	18	3	7	11	13	18	0	
	2 SARAH E. COFFIN.	Boscawen.	7	8	0	1	14.00	16	11	5	14	90	32	8	0	1	0	5	21	2	
	3 ESTHER P. COFFIN.	Boscawen.	54	12	0	2	21.00	36	17	19	30	83	144	7	3	6	13	16	28	3	
	4 MARY A. EMERSON.	Boscawen.	15	8	3	0	21.00	15	8	7	13	87	51	12	0	14	2	5	15	1	
	5 ANNIE A. GILMAN.	Andover.	16	10	0	0	20.00	24	9	15	21	88	106	12	3	8	8	7	28	0	
	6 MARY E. GRAHAM.	East Concord.	9	7	3	1	16.00	10	4	6	9	90	16	5	0	7	6	5	16	3	
	7 SARAH T. HOOK.	West Concord.	11	8	0	2	26.00	47	18	29	39	88	163	8	47	14	8	9	10	0	
FALL.	1 SARAH T. HOOK.	West Concord.	23	8	2	2	26.00	70	30	40	58	83	22	55	34	0	16	12	5	5	
	2 REBECCA K. ROWELL.	West Concord.	13	8	2	2	\$25.00	32	17	15	26	81	28	22	31	8	10	10	8	20	0
	3 M. VILONA CURTICE.	Hopkinton.	0	13	0	1	15.00	5	3	2	4	80	12	1	8	0	4	3	2	9	1
WINTER.	1 FRANKLIN C. MORRILL.	Boscawen.	3	12	3	2	\$35.00	36	21	15	28	30	187	3	30	19	18	17	16	71	6
	2 EMMA M. WEBSTER.	Boscawen.	10	10	0	4	22.00	22	7	15	19	36	68	4	22	0	6	5	0	22	0
	3 ESTHER P. COFFIN.	Boscawen.	8	12	3	3	25.00	38	19	19	31	81	180	11	36	4	10	8	14	27	0
	4 MARTHA H. COOMBS.	Salisbury.	5	10	0	1	18	11	7	13	72	162	3	21	0	0	0	0	11	0	
	5 ANNIE A. GILMAN.	Andover.	19	10	24	0	21.00	14	7	7	11	80	37	4	11	7	4	6	15	5	
	6 SARAH E. COFFIN.	Boscawen.	11	8	0	1	20.00	13	9	4	9	75	49	2	1	0	3	0	10	4	0
	7 L. W. KILBURN.	Webster.	5	11	0	3	68.00	38	18	20	38	74	73	19	47	5	23	17	15	25	0
	REBECCA K. ROWELL.	West Concord.	25	11	26	2	28.00	53	26	27	40	75	41	36	30	0	20	16	11	12	0

TABLE No. 2.

Districts.	Prudential Committee.	Local name of District.	Beginning of Summer term.	Close of Summer term.	Beginning of Winter term.	Close of Winter term.	Visits of Supt. Committee.	Visits of Prudential Committee.
1	CHARLES A. LANG,	Roseaven Plain,	Apr 30.	Oct. 19.	Dec. 3.	Feb. 22.	3	0
2	HADISON FOSS,	North Water Street,	May 7.	July 3.	Dec. 3.	Feb. 7.	4	5
3	ENOCH L. MORRILL,	Gulf,	May 7.	July 17.	Nov. 5.	Jan. 25.	5	2
4	JOHN A. MCCLURE,	High Street,	May 7.	June 30.	Nov. 4.	Jan. 12.	5	1
5	JOSEPH G. EASTMAN,	North Roseaven,	May 7.	July 13.	Oct. 1.	Dec. 7.	4	2
6	LEONARD T. SILVER,	South Water Street,	May 14.	June 29.	Nov. 19.	Feb. 8.	4	0
7	JOSEPH B. HOLT,	Fisherville,	May 7.	June 29.	Dec. 3.	Feb. 15.	15	2
8	NICODEMUS WATSON,	Cornhill,	May 7.	June 29.	Oct. 15.	Jan. 10.	2	0

TABLE No. 3.

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